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Summary Information

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Creator Willard, Ashbel P. (Ashbel Parsons), 1820-1860

Title Ashbel P. Willard collection

Date 1856

Extent 0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder

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Biographical Note

Ashbel Parsons Willard was born October 31, 1820, in New York, and died October 4, 1860, in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was a state senator, the 12th Lieutenant Governor, and the 11th Governor of Indiana. He was a leader in the Democratic Party and was the first governor to die in office.

Biographical Note

Millard Fillmore (January 7, 1800-March 8, 1874) was 13th president of the United States, from 1850 to 1853.

Scope and Contents

This undated document is handwritten in black ink on blue paper. The heading is "The Contest," and reports on a meeting of the opponents of Mr. Willard at the Market House on Tuesday night. The writer stated: "During the greater part of Willard's remarks, the meeting was an example of decorum and continued so, until it was disturbed by the arrival from Jeffersonville of some half dozen wagons containing a number of the faithful. These men, troubled with more whiskey than brains, made noise enough for ten times their number. ... We noticed a number of Fillmore men at the place using every possible means to restore quiet and by their manly efforts did so, while not one of their own party sending them any assistance. ... It seems evident these officers acted under the direction of their leaders, and conducted themselves so as to afford the editors of the Ledger a [?] of excuses to abuse the Fillmore party."

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

• Jeffersonville (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

• Willard, Millard Fillmore, 1856-1946 or 1947

Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Politics and government